

**Board of Youth Services
Meeting Agenda
March 09, 2016
Whittemore Robbins House**

Present: Linda Suzuki, Hannah Simon, Carlene Newell, Joan Axelrod, Lauren Boyle, Colleen Leger, Lisa Pedulla, Justine Bloch, Roblyn Brigham

2/3/16 Minutes approved

Directors Report: Colleen Leger & Linda Suzuki

- Doug will be moving on to MGH so hoping to interview for his position by the end of April.
- The AYCC Board on the Arlington town website needs a revamped page. Roblyn Brigham has offered to work on this initiative.
- Highrock Church gave a generous donation from their Christmas concert.

Grant Update

- Catalyst Fund: (capacity building grant) Colleen is still working on a proposal.
- Myra Kraft Community MVP Grant: A volunteer is nominated and if they are chosen then the grant goes to the agency. Lisa Pedulla will research the grant and help with formulating the application.

DMH Funding

- Considering an end of the day meeting for our legislators to discuss what next year's earmark might look like.

Peterson Center on Healthcare

- A representative is going to come in and look AYCC and see if they can help improve AYCC data collection which will help us tell our story. Hoping for a potential partnership. Peterson Center is a non-profit in New York which looks at innovative ways to support healthcare.

Staffing

- Linda reported that the need for family mental health in Arlington is still there. Caseloads are full so there is a wait of 3-4 weeks. Another great clinician is leaving on maternity leave. Staffing and spacing issues still exist.
- Dr. Dan Geller will be conducting a clinical case conference at AYCC from 12:00-1:30pm on Wednesday, March 16 and AYCC Board members are welcome to attend.

Cause & Event Race:

- AYCC is now a possible recipient for the Arlington Cause & Event run on May 22. Cause & Event is a national race where each runner gets the opportunity to pick their cause.
- The Board will set up a "Team Up" Crowdsourcing page (linked to the run) which will be designed to raise money for AYCC.
- AYCC will have a table for outreach.

Committee Update:

- Last parent forum with Michael Thompson was very successful. Parent forums are done for the year.

Adjourn